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TODAY and TOMORROW

Ruthless Exploitation

IN recent months British propaganda about post-war development in India has been greatly intensified. At the same time the British have repeated the assurances that in world affairs India will slowly and gradually be allowed to participate practically as an independent nation. But all the time, Britain is solely interested in exploiting India and in using Indians for her own imperialistic purposes.

While the British authorities in India are hotly discussing the Bombay Plan and other such schemes for India's post-war development, Lord Nuffield, leading British motor manufacturer, recently completed a tour of India. With characteristic British arrogance, Lord Nuffield explains why British manufacturers should support the Indian motorcar manufacturing industry. He says, with the growth of an Indian motorcar manufacturing industry, India's demands for all manner of British export will be all the more tremendous. Thus the Britisher is always after his own gain.

For some months now, the British have been greatly worried over the sterling debt to India—which has been increasing at the rate of 1,000 million pounds per year. Some British economic experts suggested that the debts should be written off because they were unfairly piled up. Others suggested that the debts could be wiped out by adjusting the pound-rupee exchange rate. The British dare not do so. They wanted to find a seemingly more fair method of settlement.

And now the British have done it. They invited a so-called Indian mission—the Hydari Mission. For a long time, the purpose and work of this mission was kept secret. But now the British have thought it quite safe to reveal that this Mission has completed arrangements for the procurement and despatch of stores, equipment and machinery already ordered by the Government of India for the war effort and for the maintenance of civil economy. The cost of these supplies is to be deducted from India's sterling balances.

This is apparently a fairer method of settling India's credit balance—seemingly a fairer method and really a double advantage for Britain. Britain pays her vast debts to India by exporting manufactured goods. India cannot choose. And by exporting vast quantities of manufactured goods, Britain's hold on India's industries and economy is doubly strengthened. Only by destroying British power in India and by achieving India's independence, the Indian people can free themselves from this shameful position and have freedom and justice.

This ruthless exploitation of India can only be stopped by completely eradicating British power and influence from India once and for all, and when India becomes a free and independent country she can manage her own affairs to the welfare of the nation.

ADMIRAL SUZUKI FORMS NEW CABINET

Indian Delegates To San Francisco Parley Denounced

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India Not Represented By True Leaders, Declares Vijayalakshmi Pandit

The selection of Sir Ramasami Mudaliar, Sir Feroze Khan Noon and Sir V. T. Krishnamacharya—all belted Knights and confirmed hirelings of the British—to represent India at the forthcoming San Francisco Conference was denounced by Mrs. Viajyalakshmi Pandit, during the course of an address at Baltimore on Thursday, states a Reuter's despatch.

She stated that India is not being represented by the real representatives of the Indians, but instead by British knights appointed by Britain to voice Britain's views. The votes to India, she declared, is in the hands of men who will cast it according to orders received from their British masters. Mrs. Pandit added that India's problem is part of the world problem and India should have equal part in the Commonwealth of Nations and be allowed to contribute her culture and learning to civilisation. Vague promises of dominion status do not count for much when they are counterbalanced by statements in the British Parliament that the British intend to hold what they have.

Meanwhile, the British propagandists in New Delhi are giving wide publicity to a statement made by Sir Feroze Khan Noon at the so-called Empire Conference in London, two days ago. Sir Feroze Khan said, "Although on paper, India may not be a dominion, I feel it sometimes necessary to point out that even His Majestys Government do not know that under their very noses India has grown practically to Dominion Status without their knowing it."

Commenting on this statement, well-informed Indian circles declare that the fact that Britain is getting such bare-faced traitors and toadies like Sir Feroze Khan Noon to represent India at San Francisco is ample proof that India will not benefit in the least from what is going to be deliberated there.

Enemy Air Force Raids Tokyo, Nagoya Vicinity

Tokyo, April 7 (Domei)—Dai Honyei announced at 5 p.m. this afternoon as follows:—

"An enemy air force unit based in the south this morning, April 7, raided the vicinity of Tokyo and Nagoya with approximately 120 planes and approximately 150 planes. War results achieved as well as damage done is at present under survey."

PREMIER CONCURRENTLY FOREIGN MINISTER AND MINISTER OF G.E.A. AFFAIRS

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Personnel Of Cabinet Announced Grand Investiture Ceremony Held

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Tokyo, Apr. 7 (Domei)—Admiral Baron Kantaro Suzuki who received Imperial command to form a new Government, succeeding the Koiso Ministry, completed the organization of his new Cabinet and submitted to the Throne a list of the new Cabinet members at 8.15 p.m. tonight. All the new ministers were formally installed into office at an investiture ceremony held at the Imperial Palace at 9 p.m. in the presence of TENNO HEIKA.

The members of the new Suzuki Cabinet officially were announced as follows:—

Premier (concurrently Foreign Minister and Minister of Greater East Asiatic Affairs), Admiral Baron Kantaro Suzuki.

War Minister, General Korechika Anami, former Director-General of Army Aviation.

Navy Minister, Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai, Navy Minister in the outgoing Koiso Cabinet.

Finance Minister, Toyosaku Hirose, former Vice-Minister of Finance.

Home Minister, Genki Abe, former Vice-President of the Cabinet Planning Board and Superintendent-General of the Metropolitan Police.

Justice Minister, Hiromasa Matsusaka, former Justice Minister in the outgoing Koiso Cabinet.

Welfare Minister, Tadahiko Okada, former Speaker in the House of Representatives.

Minister of Agriculture and Commerce, Tadaatsu Ishiguro, who held the same post in the second Konoye Cabinet.

Minister of Munitions and concurrently Minister of Transport, Teijiro Toyoda, former Foreign Minister.

Education Minister, Kozo Ota, former Chief Secretary of the Cabinet.

Minister without Portfolio, Vice-Admiral Seizo Sakonji.

Minister without Portfolio, Hyogoro Sakurai, member of the House of Representatives and former Highest Adviser to the Nippon Army in Burma.

Minister without Portfolio and concurrently President of the Board of Information, Doctor Hiroshi Shimomura, member of the House of Peers and President of the Nippon Broadcasting Corporation.

Chief Cabinet Secretary, Hisatsune Sekomizu.

Director of the Legislative Bureau and concurrently Director of the Bureau of Comprehensive Planning, Naokai Murase, former Director of the Legislative Bureau.

Nippon Navy Now Massing Strength To Crush Enemy

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Admiral Takahashi On Growing Hitting Power Of Combined Fleet

Tokyo, Apr. 7 (Domei)—Concentrating its main strength on its land-based aircraft and carrier-borne planes—a plan of action based on the consideration of developments arising from the enemy's approach to the Nippon Mainland—the Nippon Navy today is silently massing and augmenting its aerial hitting power in readiness to strike fast and with devastating effect with both air and surface arms when a golden opportunity is presented for shattering the enemy offensive.

This statement was made by Admiral Sankichi Takahashi (retired) former Commander-in-Chief of the Combined Imperial Nippon Fleet, in an article in today's "Mainichi Shimbun" in which he reviewed the naval aspects of the war.

With the enemy's approach closer to the Nippon Mainland, the Combined Fleet has based its chief striking power on its air forces, assigning its surface units to play a strong auxiliary role, Takahashi said. In order to engage the Nippon Fleet, the enemy, the Admiral pointed out, must be prepared to risk the peril of slipping through the Nippon Navy's powerful air arm made up of land-based aircraft and carrier-borne planes.

Naval operations, Takahashi

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Fifty-Five Enemy War Vessels Sunk And Damaged In Okinawa Waters In Two Days; Total Of 245 Warcraft Lost Since Beginning Of Foe Invasion Operations

Tokyo, Apr. 7 (Domei)—Dai Honyei announced at 4 p.m. today as follows:—

"Firstly, enemy forces on Okinawa main island with the support of strong tanks and naval shelling on Apr. 6 mainly penetrated into Oyama, Sonoumi and Aragaki on the southern front. Our forces on the spot have intercepted the enemy and are engaging him in fierce combat.

"Secondly, our air and surface forces have been continuing action against enemy warships and vessels in the vicinity of the main island, and war results so far known to have been achieved during the period from Apr. 1 to 5 are as follows:

Sunk, one cruiser, five cruisers or destroyers, two vessels of unspecified category, one destroyer and two transports; heavily damaged, one aircraft-carrier, two cruisers or destroyers, two vessels of unspecified category, and five transports."

Tokyo, Apr. 8 (Domei)—Dai Honyei announced at 5 p.m. today as follows:—

"Firstly, our air force and surface units beginning the night of Apr. 5 repeatedly struck enemy warships and vessels as well as the task force in the vicinity of Okinawa Main Island.

"War results achieved by our side in this engagement are as follows:

(a) Sunk, two converted aircraft-carriers, one battleship, six vessels of unspecified category, one destroyer, and five transports. Heavily damaged, three battleships, three cruisers, six vessels of unspecified category, seven transports.

(b) Our losses—One battleship, one cruiser, and three destroyers.

"Secondly, those air units and surface craft which took part in the engagement were Special Attack Corps and there appear to be additional war results which hence cannot be ascertained."

Tokyo, Apr. 8 (Domei)—With the addition of 55 war vessels announced yesterday and today by Dai Honyei, Nippon forces so far have accounted for 245 enemy warcraft either sunk or damaged in Okinawa waters since the start of the operations.

Nimitz Admits Loss Of Three U.S. Destroyers

Lisbon, April 7 (Domei)—American Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz's headquarters today admitted that three American destroyers were sunk and several other destroyers and smaller craft were damaged on April 6 and 7 when Nipponese aircraft roared down on American warships and vessels off Okinawa, according to a Guam dispatch.

B-29's Pay Heavy Toll In Latest Nippon Raid

Tokyo, Apr. 7 (Domei)—An enemy air force, including B-29's and P-51's, raided the Nippon mainland, chiefly the Kanto district, for an hour and a half from about 9.30 this morning.

Approximately 100 B-29's invaded the skies over the Kanto district and its main strength attacked military objectives in the northern part of the district. Encountering strong interception put up by our air defence forces, these B-29's fled in a south-easterly direction at about 10.30.

At the same time, about 40 P-51's bombed and strafed a section of Tokyo and Yokohama district.

Meanwhile, scores of B-29's conducted scattered raids on the Tokai and Chubu districts. Our air defence forces in intercepting these raiders scored good results. The exact number of enemy planes shot down or damaged is at present being checked. In the skies over Tokyo alone four or five enemy planes were reported to have been bagged.

Nippon-Soviet Pact Not Immediately Void

Tokyo, April 6 (Domei)—Commenting on the Soviet Union's intention to abrogate the Soviet-Nippon Neutrality Pact, Sadao Iguchi, Spokesman of the Board of Information, at his regular press conference, today pointed out that the "notification by the Soviet Government will not make the Pact void immediately."

He said that under the terms of the Pact, the treaty "will remain in force for another year, and both parties are bound to maintain neutrality for another year at least."

American Casualties In Okinawa In Four Days

Lisbon, April 6 (Domei)—A United Press dispatch from Guam today revealed that American casualties for the first four days of the Okinawa invasion, through Wednesday, have amounted to 973, including 175 killed and 798 wounded.

The report said that the fighting on Okinawa appears to be entering the bloody stage with the American 10th Army reaching the strong Nipponese defence lines shielding Naha.

The Nipponese were reported to be deeply entrenched in the hills and ravines and laying down a heavy bombardment on the American lines.

U.S. War Casualty Toll Nearing 900,000 Mark

Lisbon, April 5 (Domei)—Indicating that the American war casualty toll is rapidly nearing the 900,000 mark, American Secretary of War Colonel Henry L. Stimson today revealed in his latest weekly report that the American Army and Navy have incurred a total of 892,909 casualties so far since the beginning of the war, according to a Washington dispatch.

Of this figure, Army losses were placed at 798,383, while the Navy's casualties were placed at 94,526. Stimson said that the Army figure was the same as that which he announced previously on Mar 27.

Germans Wage Fierce Defensive War In Austria

Berlin, Apr. 6 (Domei)—German troops engaged in grim defensive fighting on the river Mur, north-west of Steinmanger, and in the area south-west and east of Vienna in the past 24 hours. The German High Command disclosed that on the Upper Raab German formations recaptured Felebach and Fesring following counter-attacks, and have cleared further territory of the enemy.

East of the river March, German divisions were reportedly engaged in heavy defensive fighting. New heavy attacks directed against Breslau, mainly against the west of that fortress were repulsed, and few penetrations sealed off. The fortress of Koenigsberg was also the scene of determined fighting which was unsuccessful for the Russians. No major fighting occurred along the vast stretch of front between west Beskides and Stettiner Haff.

Fighting in the northern section of the Western Front centered in the area of Osnabrueck in the past 24 hours. Anglo-American forces there launched a large-scale attack across the Weser Ems Canal in a north-eastern direction at the cost, however, of considerable losses.

Reinforced American forces concentrated in front of Porta, west of Falica, and also launched an attack against the Weser River between Minden and Hameln. Hameln attacks broke down, but the Americans were able to cross the Weser River at Minden, to the east. Thereafter German counter-attacks halted them. In the Ruhr district General Bradley's forces increased pressure against the northern Ruhr front but were held up east of Recklinghause. British troops were repelled in the southern section of Hamm and their attempt to cross the Lippe River failed.

Troops of the Third American Army which crossed the Main north of Wuerzburg were repelled. Off the western Norwegian coast German fighters warding off an attack by British bombers against a convoy unit shot down five enemy planes. In the month of March 1,233 Anglo-American aircraft were brought down by German fighters and anti-aircraft artillery of the Luftwaffe. In addition German naval forces shot down 128 Anglo-American planes during the same month.

Food Demonstrations Rampant In France

Lisbon, April 5 (Domei)—Food demonstrations are breaking out in various parts of France, owing to the crucial shortage of food in the country arising from Anglo-American inability to fill the food requirements of the so-called "liberated" areas, according to information received here.

Several hundred Parisian women yesterday morning were reported to have made a public protest over the chaotic food situation, while large numbers of women recently were said to have congregated outside the municipal building in Versailles in a similar demonstration.

In the latter case, the police had to be called out to drive away the demonstrators. Many of the semi-starved women were said to have collapsed from exhaustion.

Big Counter-Push Launched Against Enemy In Cebu

Philippine Front, April 6 (Domei)—In fierce counter-attacks against the invaders, Nippon ground and air forces on Cebu Island during the period from March 26 to March 31 accounted for more than 520 enemy troops killed or wounded, 64 aircraft shot down, 16 tanks destroyed or set ablaze and two transports fully laden with troops heavily damaged and set ablaze, besides two columns of fire observed among enemy vessels.

Nippon airmen in addition set ablaze two large trucks, one armoured car, six bivouacs and six supply dumps.

Meanwhile, Nippon ground forces are firmly holding their positions in the face of heavy enemy naval and air bombardments.

In the central and western sectors of Zamboanga, in the meantime, Nippon units have joined forces after a skilful manoeuvre toward the north and are now engaging in fierce battle with the invaders. In the Kapisahan sector, where a furious battle for Height 385 is going on, sanguinary fighting still continues to rage.

Since March 30 the enemy has been pouring withering fire against Nippon positions from Mikasadai, three kilometres west of Kapisahan. However, our storming units have silenced 30 enemy guns.

Nippon aircraft, meanwhile surprise-raided the enemy airfield at Zamboanga before dawn April 1 and blasted an enemy plane as well as heavily damaging an enemy supply dump with direct hits.

Children's Rally Today; Detailed Program Arranged

Dr. M. K. Lukshumeyah, Vice-President, Indian Independence League, East Asia, will take the salute at the Indian children's rally which is held at the grounds of the I.I.L., Syonan Branch, this evening at 6 o'clock in observance of the Indian National Liberation Week.

The program opens with the singing of the National Anthem followed by the inspection of the Balak Sena Unit by Dr. Lakshumeyah.

The students of the Indian National School will then give a display of physical training. This will be followed by a demonstration of the Balak Sena Unit, Azad School, and a Sketch.

There will be speeches in Hindustani and Tamil by Sri S. Rajaram and Sri C. Sarangapani, respectively.

The evening's proceedings will come to a close with the singing of the National Anthem. Tea will be served to the children.

TOMORROW'S PROGRAM

Tomorrow's program in connection with the observance of the Week will be featured by a comfort visit to the Nipponese Wounded Soldiers' Hospital, and a special treat to the inmates of the Indian Distress Relief Camp and the Ramakrishna Mission Orphanage.

Growing Soviet Influence In C. European Countries

Lisbon, April 6 (Domei)—That the Soviet Union is beginning to play a dominating influence in governing the destiny of future Czechoslovakia was today reflected in a Moscow dispatch which reported that the Czechoslovak Government in exile, which recently shifted from London to Soviet soil, has resigned in the Red Capital, preparatory to forming a new Cabinet.

With Czechoslovak leaders continuing close consultations with the Soviet Government concerning the future of Czechoslovakia, the new Czechoslovak Government is expected to assume an increasingly pro-Soviet nature. It is understood that Czechoslovak leaders have appealed to the Soviet Union for support in effecting the return of the Czechoslovak Regime to its former homeland.

Meanwhile, a Tass message said that Dr. Eduoard Benes, Czechoslovak President, accompanied by members of the former Czechoslovak Regime in London, today arrived in Kosice, in "liberated" Czechoslovak soil.

The dispatch significantly said that the population of Kosice greeted Benes' return by decorating the city "with arches, portraits of Marshal Stalin and President Benes."

Nippon Navy Massing Strength To Crush Foe

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stressed, are different from land operations in that a navy is not limited in its sphere of operations. At times, he declared, it has been proved more advantageous for a navy to advance forth to distant enemy areas while on other occasions it has been equally good for a navy to fight in home waters.

The Nippon Navy today is carefully augmenting its air strength, mobilizing the full power of its land-based air forces scattered in various areas and carrier-borne aircraft, including special ramming planes of Nippon's distinctive special attack corps, he said.

Takahashi said that the Nippon Navy is determined to deal the enemy a fatal blow and is only preparing for the opportunity which will enable it to hurl the full forces of its air might and surface units when the enemy ventures too close in his eagerness to invade the Nippon Mainland.

Supreme Overall Arm Command Now Created

Tokyo, April 7 (Domei)—The War Ministry today announced the creation of a Supreme Overall Arm Command under Field-Marshals Gen Sugiyama and Shunroku Hata and similarly a Supreme Overall Air Command under General Masakazu Kawabe.

Pope Donates Y.40,930 To Nippon Army, Navy

Tokyo, Apr. 7 (Domei)—His Holiness the Pope today donated a sum of Yen 40,930 to the Nippon Army and Navy as a relief fund for wounded Nippon soldiers and bereaved families of Nippon troops who met death in action. The donation was made through the Papal representative in Tokyo.

America Suffers Worst Flood In Eighteen Years

Lisbon, April 6 (Domei)—The most extensive flood in mid-western United States in the space of the past 18 years is causing the evacuation of more than 85,000 persons along the banks of the Mississippi and its tributaries, all the way from Cairo, Illinois, south to the Gulf of Mexico, according to a New York dispatch.

Swells are reported to have cut down river traffic to 25 per cent. of normal and barge movements are virtually at a standstill. American authorities indicated that the floods on the lower Mississippi may curtail shipments to the East Coast.

The dispatch said that American Red Cross workers and doctors and nurses have been rushed to the critical lower Mississippi region, where the Red River has flooded over thousands of acres of farm land and has closed many highways.

SYONAN TOKUBETU SI NOTICE No. 32

Re: Enrolment of students for the Jalan Besar Nippon-Go Kyoh Syu Zyo.

Students for the Jalan Besar Nippon-Go Institute are being enrolled as follows:—

1. Number of students: a certain number to be admitted into each of the following courses: Syo-Toh Ka (Elementary), Chiu-Toh Ka (Intermediate), Koh-Toh Ka (Advanced).

2. Eligibility for enrolment: applicants may be of either sex, approximately between the ages of 14 and 30.

3. Application: At the Jalan Besar Public School on April 10th, 11th, 12th between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.

4. Other Information: (a) Tuition free, text-books provided. (b) Tuition Hours: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. for all courses. (c) Tuition commences on April 16th (d) Period of study for each course approximately 3 months (e) If large numbers of applicants are forthcoming, enrolment will be made in the order in which application is made. (f) For other particulars, enquire at the Kyoiku-ka (Education Department), Syonan Tokubetu-si (Telephone 5101 extension 205).

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